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## News Release

### Students at Edmonton Catholic Schools Continue to Succeed

The 2004 Provincial Achievement Test Results and 2004 Diploma Exam Results for Edmonton Catholic Schools were released this morning at a special Board meeting.

In 2004 the percentage of students meeting the standards for **Provincial Achievement Test** results **improved in 14 out of 22 areas**.

Edmonton Catholic students **exceeded** the provincial percentage of students achieving the **Standard of Excellence in Math** in ALL grades. As well, Edmonton Catholic students also exceeded the provincial percentage of students achieving the **Acceptable Standard in English Language Arts** in ALL grades.

The Edmonton Catholic School District also exceeded the provincial participation rate in **ALL** subjects by encouraging all students to write the Provincial Achievement Tests.

“This year’s Provincial Achievement Test results and Diploma Exam results are exciting as they show Edmonton Catholic students building on past successes and achieving at a higher level,” said Charlie Koester, Board Chairperson.

In 2004 Edmonton Catholic students also attained a high level of achievement in **Diploma Exam results**. Over **85 percent** of Edmonton Catholic students achieved the Acceptable Standard in their Final Course Marks in all subjects. In French Language Arts 30, **100 percent of students** achieved the Acceptable Standard.

In addition, Edmonton Catholic students **exceeded** the provincial average **School-awarded marks in six subjects**, the provincial average **Diploma marks in five subjects** and the provincial average **Final Course marks in four subjects**.

“The 2004 test results reflect the superb quality of teaching in classrooms throughout our district,” said Dr. Dale Ripley, Superintendent for Edmonton Catholic Schools. “Our teachers, principals, staff and the parents of our students are all crucial to the success of each and every student,” Dr. Ripley went on to say.

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